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In response to the Examiner's Communication dated June 21, 2005, Applicants
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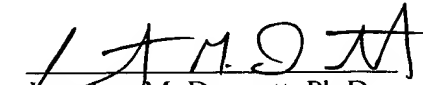
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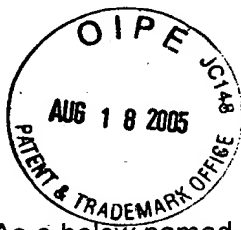
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Declaration For Patent Application

English Language Declaration

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

POLYPEPTIDES OF THE "BASIC HELIX-LOOP-HELIX" BHLH FAMILY, CORRESPONDING NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCES

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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